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Lee E. Cannon

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

COMPETITIVE BONUS GAMES BASED

UPON STRATEGY OR SKILL

Examiner: J. K. Brocketti

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.116)

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated November 4, 2005, finally rejecting claims 56-59, 61-66, 68-71 and 78-83, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows. Because the date for response is extended to February 6, 2006, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.